

**BUSINESS REPORT**

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
63rd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

**HOUSE FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS COMMITTEE**

**Date:** Tuesday, January 29, 2013

**Place:** Capitol

**Time:** 3:00 PM

**Room:** 152

**BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:**

HB 27 - Authorize use of sound suppressors while hunting certain large predators - Ted Washburn

HB 180 - Revise requirements for nonresident relative to get reduced cost hunting license - Kirk Wagoner

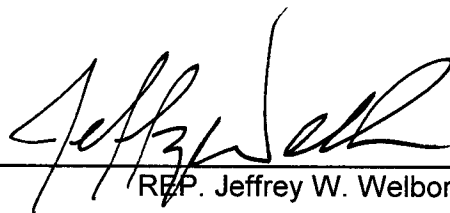
HB 198 - Authorize late season deer and elk hunting - Champ Edmunds

**EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:**

HB 147 - Do Pass

HB170 - Do Pass

**Comments:**



REP. Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**Roll Call**  
**FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS COMMITTEE**

DATE: 1/29/2013

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT/EXCUSED</u>
REP. DOUG KARY, VICE CHAIR	X	
REP. FRANKE WILMER, VICE CHAIR	X	
REP. GORDON VANCE		X
REP. CARLIE BOLAND	X	
REP. PAT CONNELL	X	
REP. JP POMNICHOWSKI		X
REP. EDWARD GREEF	X	
REP. VIRGINIA COURT	X	
REP. KERRY WHITE	X	
REP. BRIDGET SMITH	X	
REP. WENDY WARBURTON	X	
REP. ALAN DOANE	X	
REP. ED LIESER		X
REP. KELLY FLYNN	X	
REP. TOM JACOBSON	X	
REP. BRIAN HOVEN	X	
REP. JEAN PRICE	X	
REP. KIRK WAGONER	X	
REP. RAY SHAW		X
REP. TED WASHBURN	X	
REP. JEFFERY WELBORN, CHAIR	X	



## HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on **Fish, Wildlife and Parks** recommend that **House Bill 147** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Jeffrey W. Welborn*  
Representative Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Page 1, line 13.

**Strike:** "Except as provided in subsection (3), a"

**Insert:** "A"

2. Page 1, line 14.

**Strike:** "\$150"

**Insert:** "\$135"

3. Page 1, line 15.

**Strike:** "violation of this section for"

**Insert:** "second offense of"

**Strike:** "a big game animal"

4. Page 1, line 16.

**Following:** "landowner"

**Insert:** "within 5 years"

5. Page 1, line 19.

**Following:** "bail"

**Strike:** ", "

**Insert:** ":"

(a)"

6. Page 1, line 22.

**Following:** "time"

**Insert:** "; and

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 13, No 8**

**Fiscal Note Required** \_\_\_\_

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(b) may be ordered to make restitution for property damage resulting from the violation in an amount and manner to be set by the court. The court shall determine the manner and amount of restitution after full consideration of the convicted person's ability to pay the restitution. Upon good cause shown by the convicted person, the court may modify any previous order specifying the amount and manner of restitution. Full payment of the amount of restitution ordered must be made prior to the release of state jurisdiction over the person convicted"

- END -



## HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Mr. Speaker:

We, your committee on **Fish, Wildlife and Parks** recommend that **House Bill 170** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass**.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Jeffrey W. Welborn*  
Representative Jeffrey W. Welborn, Chair

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 13, No 8**

Fiscal Note Required ☐

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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**Roll Call Vote**  
**FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS COMMITTEE**

DATE: 1/29/2013 BILL NO 147 MOTION NO. 4  
 MOTION: HB 147 DO Pass AS Amended

<u>NAME</u>	AYE	NO	If Proxy Vote, check here & include signed Proxy Form with minutes
REP. DOUG KARY, VICE CHAIR	X		
REP. FRANKE WILMER, VICE CHAIR		X	
REP. CARLIE BOLAND		X	
REP. PAT CONNELL	X		
REP. JEAN PRICE		X	
REP. EDWARD GREEF	X		
REP. VIRGINIA COURT		X	
REP. KERRY WHITE	X		
REP. BRIDGET SMITH		X	X
REP. WENDY WARBURTON	X		
REP. KELLY FLYNN	X		
REP. ALAN DOANE	X		
REP. ED LIESER	X		
REP. TOM JACOBSON		X	
REP. BRIAN HOVEN		X	
REP. JP POMNICHOWSKI		X	
REP. KIRK WAGONER	X		
REP. RAY SHAW	X		X
REP. TED WASHBURN	X		
REP. GORDON VANCE	X		X
REP. JEFFERY WELBORN, CHAIR	X		

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**Roll Call Vote**  
**FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS COMMITTEE**

DATE: 1/29/2013 BILL NO. <sup>HB</sup>170 MOTION NO. 5  
MOTION: HB 170 Do Pass

<u>NAME</u>	AYE	NO	If Proxy Vote, check here & include signed Proxy Form with minutes
REP. DOUG KARY, VICE CHAIR	X		
REP. FRANKE WILMER, VICE CHAIR		X	
REP. CARLIE BOLAND		X	
REP. PAT CONNELL	X		
REP. JEAN PRICE		X	
REP. EDWARD GREEF	X		
REP. VIRGINIA COURT		X	
REP. KERRY WHITE	X		
REP. BRIDGET SMITH		X	X
REP. WENDY WARBURTON	X		
REP. KELLY FLYNN	X		
REP. ALAN DOANE	X		
REP. ED LIESER		X	
REP. TOM JACOBSON		X	
REP. BRIAN HOVEN	X		
REP. JP POMNICHOWSKI		X	
REP. KIRK WAGONER	X		
REP. RAY SHAW	X		X
REP. TED WASHBURN	X		
REP. GORDON VANCE	X		X
REP. JEFFERY WELBORN, CHAIR	X		



# AUTHORIZED COMMITTEE PROXY

I request to be excused from the Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

Rep. Franke Wilmer

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE NO

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE NO

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Rep.

Bridget Smith  
(Signature)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1/29/13



**AUTHORIZED  
COMMITTEE PROXY**

I request to be excused from the F W P

Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

Rep White / Don Kay

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE NO

HB 147	X	
HB 170	X	

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE NO

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Rep. [Signature]  
(Signature)

Date 1/29/13



**AUTHORIZED  
COMMITTEE PROXY**

I request to be excused from the FWP

Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

Don Kay

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

BILL AMENDMENT

AYE NO

HB 147	X	
HB 170	X	

BILL AMENDMENT

AYE NO

HB 014701, ahs	X	

Rep.

Ray G. Shaw  
(Signature)

Date

1/29/13



## HOUSE FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS COMMITTEE

**Sponsor: Representative Ted Washburn**

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**Please leave prepared testimony with Secretary. Witness Statement forms are available if you care to submit written testimony.**



# MONTANA House of Representatives

**HOUSE FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS COMMITTEE**

## HB 198 - Authorize late season deer and elk hunting

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**Please leave prepared testimony with Secretary. Witness Statement forms are available if you care to submit written testimony.**

## **Stockton, Marissa**

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**From:** Bob Clark <bob.clark@sierraclub.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 29, 2013 12:24 PM  
**To:** Stockton, Marissa  
**Subject:** HB 27 Comments for the record

To: Montana House of Representatives, Fish, Wildlife & Parks Committee

From: Claudia Narcisco, Executive Committee, Montana Chapter Sierra Club

Re: House Bill 27

Date: January 29, 2013

**Thank you for this opportunity to present public comment on HB 27.** We submit these comments on behalf of the Montana Chapter of the Sierra Club and our 2000 members in Montana.

We urge this committee to oppose HB 27. Allowing silencers for hunting would put public safety at risk and lead to increased poaching. It's unsporting and unnecessary.

Sierra Club supports well-regulated, fair chase hunting and fishing. Many of our members hunt and fish in Montana. However, Sierra Club opposes the use of body-gripping devices – including leghold traps, snares, and Conibear traps, and the Montana Chapter of the Sierra Club supports a ban on recreational trapping on public lands.

We believe that the use of silencers deviates from fair-chase principles. Hunters already have many tools available to them. Some would say “toys” ...such as GPS units, high-powered rifles with ballistic scopes that allow hunters to kill wildlife at up to 1,000 yards, four-wheelers, etc. Hunters of wolves and mountain lions in Montana don't need yet another advantage.

HB 27 creates a serious public safety issue. The sound of gunfire alerts other hunters and recreationists that there are hunters in the area, so that they can be aware and on guard.

HB 27 is a poacher's dream. It gives poachers a greater chance to kill Montana's wildlife. Game wardens catch many poachers and other hunting violators because they are able to hear the gunshots. Legalization of sound suppressors would lead to more hunting violations that would go unpunished.

For these reasons, we urge you to oppose HB27. Thank you.

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